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CONNERSVILLE WOMAN SENTENCED FOR CREDIT UNION EMBEZZLEMENT

PRESS RELEASE

Susan W. Brooks, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that CRYSTAL BOTTOMLEY, 24, Connersville, Indiana, was sentenced to 3 months imprisonment today by Chief U.S. District Judge Larry J. McKinney following her guilty plea to embezzlement by a credit union employee. This case was the result of a investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

BOTTOMLEY was employed as a teller at the Connersville branch of the NATCO Credit Union from July 2003 until October 2004. Between August 2004 and October 2004, BOTTOMLEY embezzled over \$30,000.00 from the credit union by accessing customers' accounts without authorization, withdrawing money, and forging customers' signatures to bank documents to accomplish the embezzlement.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Susan Heckard Dowd, who prosecuted the case for the government, Judge McKinney also imposed 5 years supervised release following BOTTOMLEY's release from imprisonment. BOTTOMLEY was ordered to make restitution in the amount of \$33,582.00.

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